

Teleconference - Tuesday, June 6, 2017 - 8:00 p.m.

Call to order by President Stalhiem

Roll Call resulted in Chuck Cryderman, Sierra Covell, Andrew Stalhiem, Mike Taft, Shannon Cobbs, Pat Connors, Ken Airgood, & Dave Hennen. Dennis Johnson was not present on the teleconference.

Approval of minutes - Cathy Behn related that the minutes from Lake St. Louis were not complete and she would forward them as soon as she completes them to be approved at the July teleconference.

National Sale Summary - Cathy Behn had provided a financial summary. Dave Hennen stated he felt it was a good sale. Discussion was held on seeking a different venue to save some money and offer different discounts to consignors. Dave Hennen stated that there were not as many sponsorship dollars and that made a difference on the bottom line. He shared it was hard to get sponsors as we are also hitting people for WCS sponsors. Dave Hennen asked to move into executive session to discuss a sale matter. President Stalhiem approved the request to move to executive session at 8:10 p.m. The Board came out of executive session at 8:25 p.m. Sierra Covell stated there were concerns expressed by an exhibitor and also a buyer, who thinks that vaccinations need to be mandatory to protect everyone. Discussion was held on past experiences of taking horses to public sales and the risks of getting sick whether vaccinated or not. Sierra Covell stated her mares at sale were vaccinated so they didn't get sick but others on her farm got sick. Sierra Covell stated that regardless of where the sale is, a sanitation protocol should be established to try to spray all the stalls down. Mike Taft stated he always sprays down stalls and doesn't have a problem anywhere he takes his horses. Dave Hennen stated that all stalls could be disinfected Tuesday before anyone moves in. Andrew Stalhiem suggested to change the verbiage in the sale rules that it is strongly recommended to have all horses vaccinated. Andrew Stalhiem also suggested quarantining sale horses before mixing with other stock on the farm.

Cathy Behn stated that she had only one ad for the Summer Lead Horse publication and was asking for direction from the Board on how to proceed with the publication. Association things for the Summer Lead Horse include All-American, Financial statement, stats from 2016 Registrations and Transfers, & Sale Report. Pat Connors suggested putting the Summer Lead Horse on the website, explaining there was not enough support for a printed publication so it would be a digital newsletter. It was the consensus of the board to try a digital publication and see if the ads coming in would like to support the digital file. ***Dave Hennen moved to discontinue the plans of a printed Summer Lead Horse and put a digital version on the website and eblast to membership. Mike Taft seconded the motion and motion carried.***

Moving on in the agenda was the WCS - Budget. Chuck Cryderman stated he had a chance to compare to the other WCS and felt that it was an extremely realistic budget which can be amended - ***Chuck Cryderman moved to adopt the WCS budget, subject to***

amending the budget as needed . Andrew Stalhiem asked if there was enough income and should the expenses be slimmed down maybe at the WCS workshop. Cathy Behn stated she had worked on the budget and had presented it to the WCS committee with no feed back so felt they would not make any changes at the workshop. Mike Taft asked who was going to the workshop; Sierra Covell is going to try, Ken Airgood was going, Chuck Cryderman could not attend, Pat Connors could not attend, Dave Hennen could not attend, Andrew Stalhiem was going to try to attend, and Mike Taft stated he could attend. Dave Hennen stated he agreed with Chuck Cryderman on the WCS budget. ***Pat Connors seconded the motion to approve the WCS Budget and motion carried.*** The Board moved into executive session at 8:50 p.m. and returned to regular session at 9:05 p.m.

The new Computer Program was next on the agenda. Cathy Behn had sent the proposal to the board for review. Discussion was held on the proposal. Cathy Behn stated a contract should be created regarding the proposal, with all stipulations and giving the developers the ability to sell the program to other Associations as a means to recoup cost of building the program. Chuck Cryderman asked if the Association would have the right to collaborate with other Associations in the future if needed with the Associations software contract. Cathy Behn stated there would be cost if other things needed to be added to collaborate and that could be written into the business plan. Cathy Behn asked if there needed a motion to accept the proposal of the program. Dave Hennen asked if Cathy Behn could go back to Ian and ask about the grade up program and would there be an up charge, for additions to such changes in the program. It was the consensus of the board that a contract be created, reviewed and signed by the Association and the people writing the new program. ***Dave Hennen moved to agree to the proposal with a contract to be submitted to the BOD. Sierra Covell 2nd the motion and motion carried.*** It was suggested if need be to have a special teleconference after the contract is received and include Ian and Bradley.

Dave Hennen reported that he was working with the Clydesdale Education Foundation to grant out the \$10,000 from Victoria in 2016 for the 2017 National Show.

An Office Lease had been forwarded to the board for the Association Office. The lease is only \$16 more than what they are currently paying. Discussion was held on the issue of a lease on the office at the direction of the Auditor last fall. Andrew Stalhiem stated that it was the middle of the fiscal year and not a good time to be changing budgeted items, suggesting the lease be revisited in October. Cathy Behn reported the prior President had been avoiding communication with the landlord on creating a lease for said property and that is why the lease was delayed in being presented. Andrew Behn, the landlord, was asking for a contract through October 1st, 2017. Chuck Cryderman stated it was already June and that by the time the lease was approved it would only be a couple months before it would have to be revisited. Chuck Cryderman suggested doing a 14 month lease contract. ***Chuck Cryderman moved to enter into a lease contract for 15 months, or until October 1, 2018 at the lease amount of \$600 per month. Pat Connors seconded the motion and motion carried.***

Cathy Behn asked for clarification of the reduced Gelding fee of \$25 being for just the amnesty year of 2017 or if the reduction was a permanent fee change. Shannon Cobbs stated he felt the motion on the gelding fee reduction was permanent. Shannon Cobbs stated that one of the reasons was a long term goal to get some shows to go with registered geldings classes so that with the fee will go hand in hand to register more geldings. It was the consensus of the board that the reduction in the fee to register a gelding was a permanent fee change.

Cathy Behn had included an update on the USLGE in her executive report. Victoria McCullough had graciously donated the dues for one year of \$5,000 for the program and after meeting with the President of the USLGE, the funding of \$28,500 for 2017 had been re-instated.

The Board moved into Executive session at 9:35 p.m. and moved back into regular session at 9:40 p.m.

At 9:42 p.m. Pat Connors moved to adjourn the teleconference. Mike Taft seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Behn, Executive Director
Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A.